GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA

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Attitude Towards Sports
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that the absence of sports culture is one of the main reasons for the disappointing situation of sports in the country; and
(b) if so, the measures taken/being taken by the Government to change the attitude of the people/guardians/society towards sports?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
(SHRI VIJAY GOEL)
(a) & (b) Government is committed to mainstreaming of sports by integrating physical education and sports with school curriculum. The Department of School Education and Literacy in consultation with the Department of Sports is working on the curriculum and content development for physical literacy and sports in school. Similarly action is underway to identify universities that would act as hubs of sporting excellence. Apart from encouraging mass participation in sports, efforts are also underway for supporting talented athletes to pursue long term athlete development plan. These initiatives will play a significant role in promoting a strong sports culture in the country.
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